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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Patrick Lepeltier et al.
Applic. No. : 10/076,979
Filed : February 15, 2002
Title : Infeed Element for Drawing in a Material Web
Art Unit : 2854

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 198 37 362 A1 (Brückl et al.), dated February 24, 2000, device for pulling in a material web;

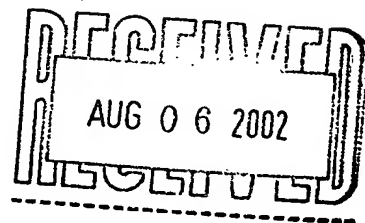
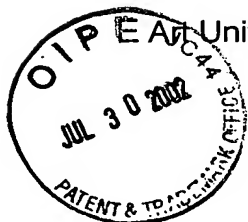
European Search Report dated June 5, 2002.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e) the undersigned herewith states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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